REMARKS

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

In the Office Action dated February 3, 2005, the Examiner rejected claims 1-4, 6, 8, 10 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Sherwood (US 4,417,609). Additionally, in the Office Action dated February 3, 2005, the Examiner rejected claims 5 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sherwood (US 4,417,609). Finally, in the Office Action dated February 3, 2005, the Examiner rejected claims 12-18 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sherwood (US 4,417,609) in view of Celtorius et al. (Des. 419,436).

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims as currently amended are allowable over the '609 reference alone or in view of the Celtorius reference.

Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that this application, as now amended, is in condition for allowance for the reasons stated above. Therefore, it is requested that the Examiner reconsider each and every rejection as applicable to the claims now pending in the application and pass such claims to issue.

This amendment is intended to be a complete response to the Office Action dated February 3, 2005. In the event that any outstanding issues remain that would delay the allowance of this application, the examiner is urged to contact the undersigned to <u>telephonically</u> discuss such outstanding issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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